MINUTES OF SEA CLIFF VILLAGE BOARD August 7, 2017

The meeting of the Incorporated Village of Sea Cliff was held on Monday, August 7, 2017, at 5:30pm at Village Hall to discuss various Village matters.

Present: Edward Lieberman, Mayor

Kevin McGilloway, Deputy Mayor Dina Epstein, Village Trustee Robin Maynard, Village Trustee Marianne Lennon, Village Clerk Bruce Kennedy, Village Administrator

Brian Stolar, Village Attorney

Absent: Deborah McDermott, Village Trustee

Deputy Mayor McGilloway led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Erinn McDonnell gave an update on current and upcoming Village Grant applications.

A discussion took place on the various equipment the IT Task Force recommended to move forward with updating the Village Website, and on a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee Maynard and unanimously approved by those present, the Board approved the expenditure of \$15,000.00 for equipment and implementation of new software.

Trustee Epstein offered the following resolution for adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 42, YEAR 2017

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Article VIII of Chapter 121, "Tree Preservation and Protection", of the Village Code, Carol Pohrille, as owner of property located at 105 Altamont Avenue, has nominated two (2) Black Oak Trees (the "Tree") on this property, which trees are identified on the application filed on July 5, 2017 and located at 105 Altamont Avenue, off Glen Cove Avenue near Harbor Hill Road, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tree Commission, in writing, confirmed that the Trees meet the qualifications for inclusion on the Village list of heritage trees and recommended to the Board of Trustees that the Trees be added to the Village heritage tree list, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that designation as a heritage tree indicates that the trees have unique value or importance in the Village, and further qualifies the Trees as a Class C tree under the tree classification system set forth in Article IV of Chapter 121 with protections afforded a Class C tree, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the protections afforded to the heritage tree apply to any actions that may occur on the premises;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board hereby designates the two Black Oak Trees located at 105 Altamont Avenue, as indicated on application filed July 5, 2017, as heritage trees, directs the Village Clerk to take such action as necessary to include the Tree on the Village heritage tree list and directs the Superintendent of Buildings to identify the Trees as a heritage tree in the property file for 105 Altamont Avenue.

Seconded by Deputy Mayor McGilloway and unanimously approved by those present.

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On a motion by Trustee Epstein, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGilloway and unanimously approved by those present, the Village Administrator was authorized to direct the Department of Public Works, not to pick up any recyclable materials on any days not curbside scheduled for collection of recycables, to take effect on September 1, 2017.

Mayor Lieberman appointed the following person to the position and term indicated:

John Russo Landmark Preservation Committee – term ending April 2, 2018

Trustee Maynard moved that this appointment made by the Mayor be approved, seconded by Trustee Epstein and unanimously approved.

On a motion by Trustee Maynard, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGilloway and unanimously approved by those present, the Board approved the expenditure of \$4,764.37 for railings for a portion of the Central Avenue Steps Project, in accordance with the proposal from National Installation GC.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee Maynard and unanimously approved by those present, the Mayor was authorized to sign a renewal agreement with Standguard Security, Inc., for Central Office Monitoring Services for Village Hall.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee Maynard and unanimously approved by those present, the following Abstracts were hereby approved:

- Abstract No. 3.07.2017 PP-CD in the amount of \$15,203.22
- Abstract No. 2.07.2017 July PP in the amount of \$24,903.35
- Abstract No. 1.08.2017 AP in the amount of \$152,194.96

On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee Maynard and unanimously approved by those present, the Minutes of July 17, 2017 were hereby approved.

Trustee Maynard offered the following resolution for adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 43, YEAR 2017

RESOLVED, that the 2016-2017 Sea Cliff Village General Fund account be modified by debits or credits in those accounts and those amounts as listed on the schedule dated August 7, 2017, which is affixed to the Minutes of this meeting, for a total amount of \$ 300,969.89; and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Village Treasurer be and she hereby is directed and authorized to make such modifications to the 2016-2017 Budget as effectuated by this resolution.

Seconded by Trustee Epstein and unanimously approved by those present.

Roll Call:

Mayor Lieberman	voting	Aye
Deputy Mayor McGilloway	voting	Aye
Trustee Maynard	voting	Aye
Trustee Epstein	voting	Aye

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On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee Maynard and unanimously approved by those present, the property located at 93 Central Avenue, Sec: 21, Blk: 142 Lot: 1064, be re-classified from a Non-Homestead property to a Homestead property, and that the Homestead tax rate be applied to the property.

On a motion by Trustee Maynard, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGilloway and unanimously approved by those present, the request by Sea Cliff Elementary School to close off streets on September 28, 2017 for their yearly carnival was approval.

On a motion by Trustee Maynard, seconded by Trustee Epstein and unanimously approved by those present, the request by Sea Cliff Elementary School to parade in the streets for Halloween on October 31, 2017 with police assistance, was approved.

On a motion by Mayor Lieberman, seconded by Deputy Mayor McGilloway and unanimously approved by those present, the Board went into Executive Session at 8:30pm for legal advice.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee Maynard and unanimously approved by those present, the Board came out of Executive Session at 8:55pm.

On a motion by Deputy Mayor McGilloway, seconded by Trustee Maynard and unanimously approved by those present, the Board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 44, YEAR 2017

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined to institute a legal action or take any other appropriate legal action to protect its rights, against New York American Water Company, the Public Service Commission and any other necessary parties, in connection with charges to the Village by New York American Water;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Village of Sea Cliff is hereby authorized to commence legal action in the Supreme Court, Albany County, or other appropriate jurisdiction, or take any other appropriate legal action to address issues relating to charges imposed upon the Village, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Attorney is hereby authorized to commence litigation on behalf of the Village, consistent with the terms of the retainer agreement between the Village and Meyer, Suozzi, English & Klein, PC, as special counsel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village authorizes the payment of fees for the commencement of such litigation of \$20,000, at the rates provided in the retainer agreement.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02pm.

Marianne Lennon Village Clerk